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FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE

Senate Bill 997 (Senator Conway, *et al.*)
Judicial Proceedings

Baltimore City Sheriff's Office - Deputy Sheriff Majors - Number of
Appointments

This bill requires the Sheriff of Baltimore City to appoint four deputy sheriff majors.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None.

Local Effect: Baltimore City expenditures increase by \$76,400 in FY 2015 and by \$105,800 in FY 2019. Federal grants increase by \$18,300 in FY 2015 and by \$26,300 in FY 2019, to reimburse Baltimore City for a portion of the personnel costs associated with the additional position. **This bill imposes a mandate on a unit of local government.**

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: The Sheriff of Baltimore City *must* appoint an undersheriff or chief deputy sheriff, one assistant sheriff, three deputy sheriff majors, three deputy sheriff captains, six deputy sheriff lieutenants, one secretary sheriff, and one fiscal clerk sheriff. The Sheriff of Baltimore City *may* appoint up to 9 deputy sheriff sergeants, 103 deputy sheriffs, 2 domestic violence clerks, and 2 domestic violence advocates.

Local Fiscal Effect: Baltimore City must hire an additional deputy sheriff major at an estimated starting salary of \$65,000. Including fringe benefits at a rate of 50.5% as advised by Baltimore City, salary and benefits total approximately \$97,800 in the first full year. Also, start-up uniform and equipment costs of \$3,000 will be incurred by

Baltimore City. Due to the bill's October 1, 2014 effective date, Baltimore City expenditures will increase by \$76,400 in fiscal 2015. Future year expenditures based on inflation and annualization increase by \$99,700 in fiscal 2016 and by \$105,800 in fiscal 2019.

Baltimore City plans to use the additional position for management of the child support enforcement grant and anticipates that federal grants will cover approximately 25% of the increased costs. Based on this assumption, federal grants increase by \$18,300 in fiscal 2015 and by \$26,300 in fiscal 2019.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

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